

REMARKS

Claims 38-56 and 58 and 59 stand rejected. Claims 38-42, 46-47 and 55 have been amended. Claim 38 is the only claim presented in independent form. Claims 38, 41-45, 48, 52, and 56-59 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated over U.S. Patent No. 5,721,842 to Beasley et al. Claims 39-40 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Beasley in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0091850 to Perholtz. Claims 46 and 53 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Beasley in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,821,918 to Reinert et al. Claim 47, 49, 50-51, and 54-55 stand rejected as unpatentable over Beasley in view of Asprey, Kitigawa, Vouri, and Antoun, respectively. Support for the amendments to the claims may be found at least at Fig. 2B and pages 33-34.

Claim 38 discloses a user terminal device for producing an option menu. The device comprises a first and second set of on-screen display circuits, both capable of producing video outputs for display on a video display. Coupled to the first and second sets of on-screen display circuits is a processor for configuring/controlling the video outputs of the first and second sets of on-screen display circuits. Thereby generating an option menu on the video display by combining the first and second video outputs. Furthermore, the second set of on-screen display circuits are cursor image producing circuits for producing a cursor image within the option menu.

Contrastingly, Beasley discloses an interconnection system for viewing and controlling remotely connected computers with on-screen video overlay for controlling of the interconnection switch. As applicant stated previously, Beasley does not teach a device containing two sets set of on-screen display circuits for producing video images on the same

display. Indeed, Figure 12 A, (see also Col. 10, line 65 - Col. 12, line 52) of Beasley teaches that a single On-Screen Display (“OSD”) chip 364 is used to generate an on-screen display for displaying a menu with the incoming system video. Furthermore, Beasley does not teach a second set of on-screen display circuits for generating a cursor image within the option menu. To the contrary, Beasley’s single OSD chip may generate an icon for pointer device, but does not utilize a separate OSD chip set to generate such an image nor does it combine multiple images from multiple OSD chip sets to display the option menu on the video display.

Beasley’s numeric keys on keyboard 65 can not be equated to a first set of OSD chips used to generate video for an option menu. Likewise, Beasley’s mouse circuits does not equate to a second set of OSD chipos used to generate an option menu. See Detailed Action at 2-3). As noted above, nowhere does Beasley teach a device containing more than a single OSD circuit, let alone a device containing a first and second set of image producing circuits that are combined to form a single option menu on a single display. Furthermore, since Beasley only teaches a single OSD or imaging circuit, it is not possible for Beasely to teach a second set of imaging circuits that generates a cursor image to be combined into the option menu for display.

Accordingly, independent claim 38 is allowable over Beasley. Similarly, dependent claims 41-43, 45, 48, 52, 56, and 58-59 which all depend directly or indirectly from Claim 38 are also allowable over Beasley.

With respect to the remaining dependent claims neither Perholtz nor Reinhart nor any of the art of record, addresses the short comings of Beasley and none of them teach a first and second sets of on-screen display circuits for generating fist and second sets of video images for display on a single video display. For at least that reason alone, Beasley in combination with Perholtz or any of the other art of record does not render claims 39, 40, 46-47, 49-51 and 54 to

55 obvious. Each dependent claim discussed above is therefore believed patentable for at least the same reasons. Because each dependent claim is also deemed to define an additional aspect of the invention, however, the individual consideration or reconsideration, as the case maybe, of the patentability of each on its own merits is respectfully requested.

If, however, there are any unresolved issues, it is requested that the Examiner contact Applicants' representative via telephone so that such issues can be quickly resolved.

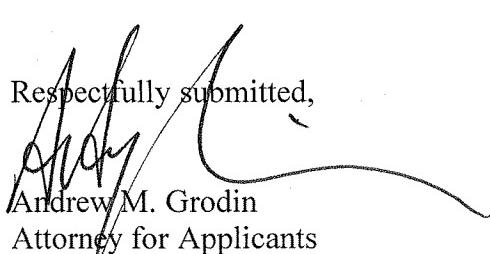
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